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SUBJECT: EIGHTH KOREA-U.S. COMMERCE MINISTERS MEETING

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1. MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (MCI) EIGHTH MINISTERIAL CONTROL OFFICER NOH CHIN SHIK HAS ADVISED US THAT WHILE AGREE-ABLE TO SCHEDULE REFTEL (A), MINISTER CHANG IS WELL DISPOSED TO TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SEPTEMBER 29 UNION GAS CO. DEDICATION CEREMONY AS ATTRACTIVE FOCAL POINT OF U.S. -R.O.K. COOPERATION DURING VISIT OF SECRETARY TO KOREA'S IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL AREAS. INASMUCH AS HIGH LEVEL CALLS NOT YET ARRANGED, PROPOSED REVERSAL OF TENTATIVE SEPTEMBER 29 AND 30 SCHEDULES WOULD NOT ONLY MAKE SCHEDULE EASIER FOR PARTICIPATNS, BUT WOULD ALSO PERMIT GREATER FELXIBILITY IN BLOCKING OUT TIME FOR REST AND PREPARATION FOR PRESS CONFERENCE AND SPEECH ON SEPTEMBER 30. MCI BELIEVES THAT CALLS ON SPEAKER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OR MINISTER OF FINANCE NOT ESSENTIAL UNLESS SECRETARY PARTICULARLY WISHES THEM. ELEIMINATION OF THOSE CALLS WOULD SAVE MORE THAN ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS WHICH CAN ALLOW A LITTLE MORE TIME WITH OTHER KEY FIGURES SUCH AS THE DEPUTY PRIMIN. DEPARTMENT MAY EXPECT THAT MINISTER CHANG WILL AT SOME POINT PRESS SECRETARY TO CONTINUE SEPTEMBER 30 SCHEDULE UNTIL 1600 HOURS RATHER THAN ONLY UNTIL 1500.

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2. PLEASE PROVIDE PRIORITY GUIDANCE ON THE FOREGOING PROPOSALS WITHIN TERMS OF REFTEL B.

3. PLEASE POUCH PRIORITY BIOGRAPHIC DATA AND PHOTOS FOR SECRE-TARY AND PRINCIPALS.

4. FOUR SUITES AT CHOSUN ARE NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS EACH PER DAY.
PLEASE CONFIRM OUR TENTATIVE RESERVATIONS OF FOUR SINGLES AND
FOUR SUITES ASAP.
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